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Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, \$500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

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LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

Notices of Firms

NOTICE.

M. R. DALTON SAYLE was admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 31st of July, 1876.
SAYLE & Co.
Hongkong, March 16, 1877. ap16

NOTICE.

WE have this Day Established a Branch of our Firm at SHANGHAI under the Management of Mr ALFRED F. O. KRAUSS, who will sign for us by Procuration.
CARLOWITZ & Co.
Canton and Hongkong, April 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

M. R. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct the Business of my Office, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony.
R. H. CAIRNS, Surveyor to Local Offices, and Lloyd's Register of Shipping.
2, Club Chambers, Hongkong, March 17, 1877. se18

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE.

DURING the Temporary Absence of the Undersigned, Mr EDWARD MOORE will act as Secretary of the Society in Hongkong.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
N. J. EDE, Secretary.
Hongkong, April 2, 1877. ap17

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Undersigned.
WM. CRICKSHANK, Manager.
Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

For Sale.

FOR SALE,
THE IRON SKEW STEAMER
"ALBANY"

THE above Steamer was Built in Glasgow in 1872 by Messrs DOBBIE & Co., under special survey of LLOYD'S, and Her MACHINERY AND BOILER were made by Messrs JAMES HOWDEN & Co., under special inspection. She was constructed to carry a large Cargo on a light draft of water and is well adapted for the Philippine, China, or Japan trade. She underwent general repairs in 1875, when New SAILS, RIGGING, and a complete outfit were supplied by the HONGKONG AND WHARF DOCK COMPANY, and in March of the present year her Engines and Boiler were thoroughly overhauled.

DIMENSIONS.—Length between Perpendiculars, 170 feet. Beam, 28 feet 3 inches. Depth of Hold from Ceiling to Main Deck, 9 feet 5 inches. Height from Main Deck to under side of Awning Deck, 7 feet 4 inches.

GROSS TONNAGE.—550 Tons.

CLAS.—Built to Class 100 A at Lloyd's.

RIG.—Brig Rigger.

CARGO CAPACITY.—About 9,000 piculs, or 625 tons Measurement (40 feet).

DRAFT.—Light 9 feet; Loaded 12½ feet.

SPEED.—Eight knots on consumption of 8½ to 9 tons of coals per 24 hours.

BUNKER CAPACITY.—75 tons coals.

CABIN.—Under Awning Deck aft; saloon, pantry and five state rooms, with accommodation for 12 first-class passengers.

MACHINERY.

ENGINE.—A pair of Howden's patent High and Low pressure Engines of 90 Horse Power nominal; High Pressure Cylinder 25 inches, and Low Pressure Cylinder 45 inches in diameter; Stroke 30 inches.

PROPELLER.—Bessemer Steel of 4 Blades, with One Spare Set of Blades.

WINDMILL.—One Steam Windmill with Donkey Boiler on Deck.

BOILER.—One Horizontal Tubular Boiler 11 feet diameter, with 3 Furnaces, tested for a working pressure of 60 pounds.

MORRIS & RAY.

Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE.

A MARINE ENGINE of 20 Horse Power Nominal, High and Low Pressure, with Extra Surface Condenser and Tubular Boiler. Consumption, 2 Tons per 24 Hours.

The Engine is quite new; was manufactured by Messrs Matthew Paul & Co., Dumbarton, and is now deposited in the Godown of the late firm of Russell & Sturgis, Manila.

Particulars may be obtained on application to

MORRIS & RAY.

Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE.

BY TENDER, the whole Stock-in-Trade of the TAKU TUG AND LIGHTER COMPANY, consisting of the following Steamers:—

Steam Tug & Lighter *Ageria*, 3,500 pils.

Patfinder, 1,800 "

Steam Tug *Orphan*, 1,800 "

Little *Orphan*, 1,800 "

Tenders will Receive immediate attention.

Apply to

TAKU TUG & LIGHTER Co.,

TAKU.

Taku, March 12, 1877. ap80

FOR SALE.

A SET of Dr. MORRISON'S Chinese and English DICTIONARY, in Five VOLUMES. Price very moderate.

Apply to

WONG MAN YU TONG,

48 A, Hollywood Road.

Hongkong, March 31, 1877. ap7

FOR SALE, AT CANTON.

A STEAM COTTON MILL, well adapted for Working Native COTTON, either Ningpo or TIENTSIN. Capable of Making 3 piculs of Yarn in 12 hours, consisting of:—

Steam Engine and Boiler 15 Horse Power

Nominal, 1,280 Spindles, 12 Carding and

2 Drawing Machines, 1 Speeder 18 Spindles,

1 Stretcher 60 Spindles, 1 Lap Machine,

1 Cotton Gin, Bobbins, &c., with Shafting

and Belting Complete.

For Further Particulars and Terms of

Sale, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 14, 1877. ap14

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I, A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN FITZEL, Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price: Two Dollars and a Half.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai and Messrs KELLY & WALKER, Shanghai.

Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

Intimations.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

JUST LANDED EX S. S. "BELGIO."

COMB HONEY,
CRUET HONEY,
CALIFORNIA BUTTER, in 2 lb.
Glass Jars, very fine,
BUTTER in Kegs,
CHEESE,
HAMS,
SMOKED SALMON,
SALMON, in 1 & 2 lb. Tins,
Libby's CORNED BEEF, in 2 & 4 lb. Tins,
Libby's CORNED TONGUES,

Mixed, Onion, Piccalilli and Chow Chow
PICKLES,
TOMATO CATSUP,
BROWN,
PIG'S FEET,
Small HOMINY,
Large HOMINY,
Yellow CORN MEAL,
Buck Wheat FLOUR,
Baker's BITTERS,
Golden Gate Baker's EXTRA
FLOUR.

Also Ex "Fiking."

Royal Glen Dee WHISKY,
OATMEAL,

COD FISH, in 4 & 7 lb. Tins,
RED HERRINGS.

Perry & Co.'s Superior BURMAH CIGARS.

Hongkong, March 29, 1877. ap5

FOR SALE.

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s
Celebrated
Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.
Apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

FOR SALE.

JUST ARRIVED BY FRENCH STEAMER
"Francois I."
ONE YOUNG PANTHER, only Six
Months Old, as Quiet as a Cat.
Apply, on Board, to the CAPTAIN.
Hongkong, March 28, 1877. ap4

Intimations.

W. BALL,
CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS,
DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOILET
REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES
AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness,
and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.
Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

AFONG,

PHOTOGRAPHER,
by appointment, to
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,
GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG;
and to
H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS
OF RUSSIA,

Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB,
HAS on hand the Largest and Best
collection of Views of China, Photo-
graphic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of
assorted sizes. Ex S. S. *Radnorshire* a
supply of very handsome Enamel Albums of
Russia and Velvet Covers, assorted sizes.
Illuminated Albums for Portraits. Tobacco
Pouches, in Shape of Skulls, Hats, &c., and
a nice choice of Gilt Mountings for
Frames, &c.
Hongkong, March 28, 1877.

NOTICE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been
Appointed SOLE AGENTS for
China and Japan, for
JOSEPH STARKER, London,
Manufacturer of Gold and SILVER LACES,
Embroidery, &c., and Military and
Naval Appointments of every
Description.

A Stock of these Goods will be kept on
hand, for the Regiments stationed here,
as well as for the ENGLISH and AMERICAN
NAVIES.
Hongkong, March 14, 1877. ap14

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

COMMENCING ON FRIDAY Next, the
16th Instant, the Steamer *POWAN*
will Run as a Night Boat between HONG-
KONG and CANTON, leaving HONGKONG
on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at
8.30 p.m., and Canton on Tuesdays, Thurs-
days, and Sundays, at 8.00 p.m.

By Order, P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 14, 1877.

HONGKONG.

Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,
WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS,
38, Queen's Road,
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,
CHRONOMETERS.

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately
rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at
reasonable rates and with despatch.
Hongkong, May 1, 1876. st

THE MEDICAL HALL,
37, Queen's Road, Hongkong.
ESTABLISHED 1853.
TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.
Hongkong, April 28, 1876. ap28

NOTIFICATION.

INSPECTORATE GENERAL OF CUSTOMS,
PEKING, 20th March, 1877.

THE FIRST OF APRIL having been sanc-
tioned by Imperial Decree as the
date for the Opening of IOHANG, WUHU,
WENCHOW and PAKHAI to Foreign Trade,
the Custom Houses there will on that day
commence the transaction of business.

In this connection the following appoint-
ments have been made:—

Mr T. DICK to be Commissioner of Customs at IOHANG
" F. E. WOODRUFF " " WUHU
" H. E. HOBSON " " WENCHOW
" E. MCKEAN " " PAKHAI

Arrangements have not yet been com-
pleted for the Discharge and Shipment of
Cargo at Shu-shi, Lu-ki-kow, Wu-ai-shih,
Hu-kow, An-king and Ta-tung. Due notice
will hereafter be given.

By Order of the Inspector General of
Customs,
COLIN JAMIESON,
Chief Secretary, Officiating.

NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM
TRANSIT INSURANCE Co.

THE BUSINESS of this Company has
This Day been Transferred to THE
MARINE INSURANCE Co., of 20, Old
Broad Street, London.

By Order of the Proprietors,
WILLIAM HUNT,
Secretary.

137, Leadenhall Street,
London,
1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE Co.
20, Old Broad Street,
London,
1st January, 1877.

ESTABLISHED 1836.
CAPITAL, £1,000,000 Sterling.
RESERVE FUND, £240,000 "

WITH Reference to the foregoing Adver-
tisement THE MARINE INSURANCE
Co. has This Day taken over the
Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL
STEAM TRANSIT Co., and has Appointed
Mr A. MUIVER as its AGENT in HONG-
KONG.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ROBERT J. LODGE,
Manager.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Accept
Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the
MARINE INSURANCE Co. by any First Class
Steamer.

A. MUIVER,
Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of
London.

Hongkong, February 16, 1877. ap17

Intimations.

BILLIARDS.

MONS. PIERRE CARME, the Cham-
pion Cannon Player of the World,
will give Three Exhibitions at the HONG-
KONG HOTEL, on THURSDAY the 5th,
FRIDAY the 6th, and SATURDAY the 7th
Instant. Commencing Each Evening at
9 o'clock. The GAME will be 1,000 Points
up, when Mons. Carme offers to any Gentle-
man 500 Points who wishes to play him.
After the Game, Mons. Carme will Show
some Fancy Shots.

Admission:—Season Ticket, \$4.
Single Ticket, 2.

Seats can be secured at the Office of the
Hongkong Hotel,
Hongkong, April 2, 1877.

G. O. ROGERS, DENTAL SURGEON,
No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD,
Begs to inform his Friends that he intends
being ABSENT from HONGKONG for Six
or Eight Weeks, leaving early in APRIL.
Hongkong, March 12, 1877.

Auctions.

FURNITURE SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have re-
ceived instructions to sell by
Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 7th April, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at
No. 11, Old Bailey Street, the Residence
of J. SOUTHAN, Esq.,—

The whole of his Household FURNI-
TURE, comprising: Rep Covered Chairs,
Couches, Mirrors, Clocks, Carpets, Side-
board, Mahogany Wardrobe with Mirror
Door, Marble-top Dressing Table, and
Washstands, Iron Bedsteads.

Also,

1 HARMONIUM.

Catalogues will be issued, and the Fur-
niture will be on view on the Morning
of the Sale.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
All Lots with all faults and errors of
description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall
of the hammer.

Hongkong, April 2, 1877. ap7

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.
have received instructions to sell
by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 12th April, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m.,—
ON THE SPOT

(Unless previously disposed of by Private
Sale),

That Piece or Parcel of GROUND,
situate in Queen's Road East, Registered
in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 54,
comprising 10,000 square feet, measuring
from North to South 100 feet, and from
East to West 100 feet, with a substantial
Brick Dwelling House and Out-houses
built thereon, known as "Carlton House,"
Annual Crown Rent, \$131.40.

And,

That Piece or Parcel of GROUND,
situate in Queen's Road East, Registered
in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 789,
comprising 6,000 square feet, measuring
from North to South 150 feet, and from
East to West 40 feet, with a substantial
Brick Godown built thereon.

Also,

That Piece or Unbuilt Levelled
GROUND, attached to the above Lot,
and Registered in Land Office as same
Inland Lot No. 788, comprising 6,000
square feet, measuring from North to
South 150 feet, and from East to West
40 feet. Annual Crown Rent, \$185.08,
for Inland Lot No. 788.

TERMS:—One-half of the purchase
money to be paid on the fall of the ham-
mer, and the remainder on completion
of the Deed of Transfer. The Buildings
will be at purchaser's risk after the fall
of the hammer.

Hongkong, March 18, 1877. ap12

Shipping.

Steamers.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship

"THERE,"

Capt. DE GRASSE, will be

despatched for YOKOHAMA

shortly after the arrival of the next French

Mail.

H. DE POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 28, 1877.

Shipping.

Steamers.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship

"LEOVALDY,"

Capt. GAUVAIN, will be

despatched for SHANGHAI,

shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DE POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 28, 1877.

FOR SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

The Steamship

"OCEAN,"

Capt. JAGGER, will load Tea

at Foochow for the above

Ports at the opening of the coming Season.

For Freight, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

To Let.

TO LET.

N^o. 3, PECHU TERRACE, ELGIN STREET, with Immediate Possession.
Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 7, Cadno Road, lately occupied by Mr PARKER.
House No. 10, Albany Road, at present occupied by the Rev. R. H. KIDD.
Bisbee Villa, Pok-foo-lum, Funnished.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

TO LET.

THE Upper Portion of Nos. 42 and 44, Queen's Road.
The Dwelling House No. 2, Gough Street.
Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, November 17, 1876.

TO BE LET.

THE PREMISES No. 39, Queen's Road, at present in the occupation of the BORNIO COMPANY.
TURNER & Co.
Hongkong, February 6, 1877.

NOTICE.

NEITHER Captain FORBES nor the AGENTS or OWNERS of the American Barque "GARIBOLDI" will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by the Crew.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCOW.

The Steamship "YESSO,"
Capt. J. E. PUNCHARD, will be despatched for the above Ports at Noon, TO-MORROW, the 4th Instant, instead of as previously notified.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAIWANFOO AND TAMSUI.

The Steamship "TAIWAN,"
Capt. M. YOUNG, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 8th Instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

FOR MANILA.

The Spanish Bark "TERESA,"
Cebada, Master, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 20th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GAELIC" will be des-

patched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 1st May, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 30th inst. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Room, Praya Central, on

FRIDAY,

the 6th April, 1877, at Noon,—
Oilmen's Stores, Jams, Raisins, Bonbons, Cotton Socks, Table Knives, Corkscrews, Sailor's Knives, Silk Umbrellas, Water Proof Coats, Writing Ink, Towels, Purse, Pencils, Blacklead, Fowling Pieces.

Also,
2 cases RUM,
2 cases BOOKS, "The Commercial Annals for China, Japan, The Philippines, and The Far East Generally."

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 7th day of April, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—
An Invoice of JAPANESE LACQUERED WARE, Ivory Carvings, Bronzes, Porcelain Ware, Tortoise-shell Ware, Cabinets, Glove Boxes, Desks, Jewellery Boxes, Inlaid Cabinets, Vases, Tea Sets, Cups, Buttons, Stands, Lockets, Bracelets, Necklaces, Brooches, Earrings, Mother-of-Pearl Ornaments, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ALDEN BESSE, American barque, Captain S. Noyes.—Kozario & Co.

FORMOSA, German 3-m. schooner, Capt. G. Schmeer.—Melchers & Co.

MYSTIC BELLE, American ship, Captain David Plummer.—Siemssen & Co.

ROSENA, American 3-m. schooner, Capt. C. W. Hansen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

PANOLA, American 8-m. schooner, Capt. H. W. Lumb.—Landstein & Co.

ECOTO, British barque, Capt. George W. Tozer.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

WINDEMER, British ship, Capt. Mann.—Meyer & Co.

IRIS, Dutch schooner, Captain J. Wertenfeld.—Order.

ROSETTA MCNEIL, American barque, Captain Brown.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

ARONAUT, British ship, Captain John Anderson.—Meyer & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 3, Washi, British steamer, 265, A. Hunn, Boihow April 1, General.—LANDSTEIN & Co.

April 3, Argonaut, British ship, 1073, John Anderson, Newcastle (N.S.W.) Feb. 18, Coal.—MEYER & Co.

April 3, Tyne, French steamer, 1000, de Girard, Yokohama March 27, Malls and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

DEPARTURES.

April 3, San Francisco, for Takow.

3, Penola, for Bangkok.

3, Chefoo, for Swatow.

3, Emeralda, for Manila.

3, Bowen, for Cooktown, &c.

3, Zamboanga, for Bangkok.

3, Belgia, for Yokohama and San Francisco.

3, MacGregor, for Saigon.

3, Mecca, for Amoy.

CLEARED.

Columbian, for Swatow.

Golden Horn, for Amoy.

Tylo, for Macao.

Yaso, for Swatow, &c.

Palestine, for Bangkok.

St. Joseph, for Keelung.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Tyne, from Yokohama: for Hongkong, Mr Dalrymple and 1 Chinese. For Marseilles, Mr and Mrs Lomoyne and 2 children, Messrs Pellegrin and Powell.

Per Washi, from Hoihow, 43 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Belgia, for Yokohama, Mr H. Harrie and servant, Mrs Graham and servant, Mr and Mrs F. E. Foster and family, Mrs Dr. M. Stout, Mr and Mrs Coutts and 2 children and European servant, and one Chinese. For Liverpool, Mr and Mrs N. J. Ede and child, Messrs R. H. Cairns and M. S. Tonnochy. For Bremen, Mr B. Schaar. For San Francisco, 2 Europeans and 597 Chinese.

Per Bowen, for Cooktown, &c., Captain and Mrs Jackson, and 534 Chinese.

Per Antenor, for Shanghai, 1 European and 43 Chinese.

Per Chefoo, for Swatow, 40 Chinese.

Per Zamboanga, for Bangkok, 20 Chinese.

Per Emeralda, for Manila, 9 Cabin and 840 Chinese.

Per MacGregor, for Saigon, 70 Chinese.

Per Mecca, for Amoy, 10 Chinese.

Per Penola, for Bangkok, 4 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per Yesso, for Swatow, &c., 4 Europeans and 160 Chinese.

Per Palestine, for Bangkok, 20 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Washi reports: Light winds with thick hazy weather throughout the passage.

The British ship Argonaut reports: Left on Feb. 18th, had strong N.E. and E. winds to 10 South, then westerly winds to 3 N., after which moderate trade to 23 N., from 187 E. had light variable winds and generally fine weather to arrival.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCOW.—Per YESSO, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 4th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For HAIPHONG.—Per Schooner LOUISA, at 1.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 4th inst.

For SAIGON.—Per FRANCOIS I., at 4.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 4th April.

For ILOILO.—Per Barque WINDEMER, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the 4th inst.

For BANGKOK.—Per RAJANATTIANVAH, at 5 p.m. on Friday, the 6th inst.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—The French Contract Packet PEIHO will be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 5th April, with Malls to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing the Malls, &c.:—

Wednesday, April 4.—

5 p.m., Money-Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, April 5.—

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters closes.

11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

Hongkong, March 22, 1877.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—

The English Contract Packet KHIVA, will be despatched with the Malls for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 12th Instant.

The following will be the hours of closing the Malls, &c.:—

Wednesday, 11th Instant.—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 12th Instant.—

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters closes.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via Brindisi or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, till

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally closed.

Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

Shipping Intelligence.

HOME SHIPPING.

The following is corrected from the latest London Papers:—

DEPARTURES.

Nov. 17, Eliza Shaw, from London to Shanghai.

Nov. 21, America, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Nov. 23, Western Chief, from London to Hongkong.

Nov. 23, Maduta, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Nov. 28, Hannah Law, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Nov. 28, New Era, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Dec. 4, Benolutha, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Dec. 17, A. E. Vidal, from Hamburg to Hongkong.

Dec. 17, Carrioks, from London to Hongkong.

Dec. 19, Channel Queen, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Dec. 20, Chinaman, from London to Hongkong.

Dec. 22, Sophie, from New York to Hongkong.

Dec. 23, Ino, from Greenock to Swatow.

Dec. 23, John Nicholson, from New York to Shanghai.

Dec. 27, Undine, from London to Shanghai.

Dec. 29, Ulysses (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghai, (leaves S'pore, 8rd proximo.)

Dec. 29, Canaan, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Jan. 4, C. R. Bishop, from London to Hongkong.

Jan. 11, Windhover, from London to Shanghai.

Jan. 12, Woodhall, from Hamburg to Hongkong.

Jan. 12, Hope, from London to Hongkong.

Jan. 16, Gryfe, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Jan. 18, Batavia, from Hamburg to Hongkong.

Jan. 31, Forward Ho, from London to Shanghai.

Feb. 1, Robert Henderson, from Burypport to Hongkong.

Feb. 2, Polynesia, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Feb. 6, Carrizal, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Feb. 8, Daphne, from London to Hongkong.

Feb. 12, Leading Wind, from Antwerp to Hongkong.

Feb. 15, Bertha (str.), from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Feb. 16, Glaucus (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghai, (left Singapore, 25th March.)

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.

At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.

Argentina. Cadix.

Figura Castle. Glensara.

Scindia.

Sailing Period.

Sir Landelot. Belled Will.

City of Aberdeen. Pentith.

Antwerp. Enid.

Scindia. Oskak.

Commissary. Kaskow.

At Liverpool.

Anchises (str.). Lord Macaulay.

C. W. Cochran.

At Glasgow.

Glasgow (str.). Lale of Erin.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, April 5:—

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, April 6:—

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

SATURDAY, April 7:—

2 p.m.—Furniture Sale, at No. 11, Old Bailey Street.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—Yesso leaves for Coast Ports.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.45 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 1877.

The dollar question has, within the last few weeks, engaged special attention in Hongkong, Shanghai, Manila, and the Straits Settlements, and now, we observe, the foreign merchants in Yokohama are seriously considering the subject. At a recent meeting of the Yokohama Chamber of Commerce it was moved, "That it is desirable there should be in this port a silver currency among foreign merchants which shall circulate in the interior of the country, and shall at the same time be accepted as a legal tender in China." The consideration of the motion was adjourned, after some discussion, until the next meeting, the proposer having neglected to give notice of his intention to bring the matter forward. It seems that the difficulty with our Yokohama friends is that outside the foreign circle in the country the yen is the acceptable coin, while within that circle the Mexican is the only favoured currency. The result of this is that an immense amount of exchange business is necessary in the transactions between the natives and foreigners, and as the relative values of the yen and the dollar are constantly fluctuating according to the demand for or the scarcity of the one or the other, business calculations are liable to be constantly upset, sometimes with very disastrous results, and trade, in the end, is seriously hampered. The Tokyo Times, which has devoted one or two sensible articles to the question, points out that the fact of there being in a small place like Yokohama, exclusive of the native brokers who conduct their business on a far more extensive scale, one or two dozen of Chinese exchange brokers who are able to pay high rents in the foreign settlements and do a prosperous business, is a sufficient proof of the daily and constant loss incurred, probably by both buyers and sellers in an equal degree, from the present position of things. It was stated by the proposer of the motion at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce that the only remedy to the existing evil was to adopt the Japanese silver yen as currency. "There were two things, of course, which would have to be guaranteed, one was that the supply should not fall, and the other that the quality of the coin should be maintained." We should as a matter of course, be glad to see the yen supersede the Mexican dollar providing there is no better way out of the difficulty. Japan will, no doubt, always coin her own currency, and the only coinage that can be withdrawn for the sake of general convenience is a foreign one. It is interesting to consider how the adoption of this proposal would affect the question of coining a British dollar. The great object of getting a British dollar coined is for it to supersede the present currency in Hongkong and the Treaty Ports and do away with a similar inconvenience, arising from different currencies, to the one complained of by the merchants of Yokohama. Now we have it shown here that the yen has failed hitherto to supersede the dollar even in Japan. This, being the case, the question arises if there is a reasonable probability, even under more favourable circumstances, of the Japanese coin driving out the Mexican dollar from Hongkong and the Treaty Ports in China. We fear not. In connection with this point, however, it is worth noticing that our Yokohama contemporary takes some trouble to point out that it is mainly the fault of the Japanese Government that the yen has failed to make headway against its formidable rival, the Mexican. "When," he says, "the mint was established at Osaka, at an immense ex-

pense, its principal object was, naturally, to issue coin to supersede the Mexican dollar. If the silver yen had been taken as a standard, it would probably have accomplished this object more easily. Whether gold or silver, however, the foreign merchants were then prepared, and expected, to see the national coin take the place of the Mexican, and it is owing in a great part to the action of the Japanese Government that so little progress in this direction has been made. The principal channels through which the yen could have forced its way into public recognition were, strange though it may appear, closed by the Government themselves. They refused to take it at the Custom House, or in payment of rent due from or for lands sold to foreigners, or for such commodities as were sold by the Government, namely, rice, copper, etc. The contracts made for supplies to be furnished to different Departments of State were never—or, if at all, not until quite recently,—upon the basis of the yen. In fact, as far as the dealings of foreigners with the Government was concerned, the yen was absolutely useless, either for buying or selling. No merchant nor any individual foreigner could have as much interest in seeing the yen established currency of the country as the Japanese Government had, and, considering how lax and indifferent the latter has appeared, it is small wonder that so little has been done in this direction." If the yen could and would take the place of the proposed British dollar, drive out its rivals, and be generally accepted in Japan, Hongkong, the Treaty Ports, and the Straits Settlements, we think its introduction into those places should be heartily welcomed. Past experience, however, does not tend to give one a

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Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.
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JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
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Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.
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Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

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OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

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THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$5,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.
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Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

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Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—
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Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.
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Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.
Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 on reasonable terms.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of \$10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of \$15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.
A Discount of 20% allowed.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, January 8, 1876.

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THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

Mails.

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SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES;
Also,
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ON THURSDAY, the 5th April, 1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *PRIMO*, Commandant LECOMTE, with MAELS, PASSENGERS, SEROLE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.
Shipping orders will be granted till noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 4th April, 1877. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.
H. DU POUY,
Agent.
Hongkong, March 28, 1877. ap5



STEAM FOR
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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship *KHIVA*, Captain LEE, will leave this on THURSDAY, the 12th April, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, April 2, 1877. ap12

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer *CITY OF TOKIO*, will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 14th April, 1877, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passengers Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York and Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitsui Bussan S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., 13th April. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For security's sake, Shippers of Overland Cargo are requested to endorse on the Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages Shipped, to correspond with those in their Bill of Lading.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 15, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, March 21, 1877. ap14

Intimations.
AN YON,
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SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.
Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.
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Orders will be received by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.
Hongkong, July 31, 1873.

Intimations.

EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE DE 1876.
THE CONSUL for FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibition, that they will find at the Consulate all information and Particulars they may require.
For the Consul,
G. BOULOUEZ, Vice-Consul.
Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

NOTICE.
THE CHINESE MAIL.

FROM and after the Chinese New Year's day (February 17, 1874) the *Chinese Mail* will be issued DAILY instead of twice a week as heretofore. No change, however, will be made in the price of subscription, which will remain at \$4 per annum.

The charges for advertisements are now assimilated to those of the *China Mail*. The unusual success which has attended the *Chinese Mail* makes it an admirable medium for advertisers.

The Conductors guarantee an eventual circulation of one thousand copies. It is already the most influential native journal published, and enjoys considerable prestige at the Ports of China, and Japan, and at Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, San Francisco and Australia.

For terms, etc., address
MR OHUN AYIN,
Manager.
China Mail Office,
17th February, 1874.

KWONG HING CHEUNG & Co.,
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Mr ARYON has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at 67, Praya, or to Mr FAT JACK, at 30, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate attention.
Hongkong, March 19, 1877. ap19

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Chinese Dentistry.
Chinese Intercourse with the Countries of Central and Western Asia during the Fifteenth Century, Part II. (Continued from page 182.)
A Legend of the Peking Bell-Tower.
A Chinese Hornbook.
The Law of Inheritance.
A Chinese Dictionary in the Cantonese Dialect.
Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.
Notes and Queries:—
A Chinese Dictionary in the Cantonese Dialect.
"Watching Spirits."
Chinese Folk-lore.
Yin and Yang, according to Aristotle.
Pigdin English.
Goethe's "Werther" in China.
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Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office,
Hongkong, March 20, 1877.

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WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office—Price \$1 each.
CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

THE CHINESE MAIL.
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Efforts have been made to establish Agents for circulating the *Chinese Mail* in all the ports and in the interior of China, all the ports in Japan, in Saigon, Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the Philippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru and other places which Chinese frequent. When the list of Agencies is completed, it will be published. Agents have been already established in most of the above places, and in important ports more than one agent has been appointed at each.

CHUN AYIN,
Manager.
Hongkong, February 23, 1874.

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG CHINESE MAIL.
THE Circulation of THIS PAPER has been very much extended. The following are some of its Agents:—

Canton.—Sing Cheun Native Post Office, Luen Hing Street; Chai Heng Low Hotel, Luen Hing Street; Kwong Tin Katshop, Yan Tai Street; Mr Sit Cheun Fan, Tung Wen Kwan; Yuen Fong Shop, in front of the Provincial Treasurer's Yamen; How Yuen Shop, Small Market Street, New City; Yee Cheung Photograph Shop, Honam; Kwai Heng Shop, Sin Cheong, Honam.

Singapore.—Sui Cheong Tong; Woh Shun Loong Hong.

Amoy.—Chun Cheong Hong, Mook Kek Street.

Foochow.—Mr Yu Ching Cheong, Foochow Arsenal; Mr Lum Kwok Ching, Maritime Customs.

Shanghai.—Mr Ng Ching Shun, Maritime Customs; Mr Ho Yue Cheun, Maritime Customs; Mr Chun Sing Hol, Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.; Mr Kwong Cheun Fook, Educational Mission School; and Mow Sing Sang Kuo shop.

Ningpo.—Mr Sung Min Chee, Maritime Customs.

Hankow.—Yee Hing Hong.

Ohgfoo.—Yee Shun Hong.

Japan.—Mr Leong Chun Tong, Municipal Office, Yokohama.

Saigon.—Wohang Hong.

Singapore.—Ting Kee Hong; Kwong Fook Sang Hong.

Penang.—Yow Wing Fong; Argus Office.

Calcutta.—Mow Sing Company.

San Francisco.—Kwong Fong Tai Hong.

The above are some of the Agencies; others will be published, when they are arranged for. Negotiations are in progress with the express couriers who carry the official despatches and Peking Gazette, to circulate the *Chinese Mail* in the interior of China.

Hongkong, March 10, 1874.

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The appendix contains full tables of the various steam companies' lines. It also includes a CATALOGUE of over 440 works published in the English language upon China and Japan, with a copious INDEX at the end of the work affords a ready means of reference to the reader.

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, March 31, 1877.

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Butcher Meat.

Bacon, English, lb. 450 400

" Ame. Sugar cured, 300 250

" Foochow, 160 140

Beef, sirloin and prime cut, 160 150

Beef Corned, catty 160 140

" Roast, 150 140

" Soup, 90 80

" Steak, 150 140

Bullocks' Brains, per set 60 50

" Tongue, fresh, each 275 250

" " corned, 320 300

" Head, 600 500

" Heart, 150 140

" Feet, 50 40

" Kidneys, 60 50

" Tail, 100 90

" Liver, catty 80 60

" Tripe (undressed), catty 50 40

Calves' Head and Feet, set 500 400

Hams, American, lb. 300 280

" Chinese, 180 170

" English, 360 340

Mutton Chop, 180 170

" Leg, 180 170

" Shoulder, 180 170

" Liver, 180 170

Pigs' Chittlings, catty 60 50

" Feet, 100 90

" Fry, 110 100

" Head, 90 80

" Heart, 60 50

" Kidneys, 80 70

" Liver, lb. 100 80

Pork, Chop, catty 150 140

" Corned, 180 170

" Leg, 150 140

" Fat or Lard, 110 100

Sheep's Head and Feet, set 340 320

" Heart, 50 40

" Kidneys, 80 70

Sucking Pig, 1750 1000

Veal, catty 140 120

Poultry.

Capons, catty 300 180

Deer, each \$2.00 \$1.50

Ducks, catty 130 120

Eggs, Hen, doz. 105 —

" Duck, 105 —

" Salt, 120 —

Fowls, catty 180 160

Geese, 190 110

Partridges, each 350 300

Pheasants, Canton, live, pair \$2.00 —

" Shanghai, dead, 1000 800

Pigeons, each 180 180

Quail, 100 90

Rabbits, 800 500

Snipe, 125 110

Tail, 250 220

Turkeys, Cook, catty 650 600

" Hen, 400 —

Wild Duck, each 450 400

Fish.

Bombay Ducks, new per hundred 350 300

Bream, catty 100 90

Carp, 80 70

Codfish, Salt, lb. 150 —

Crabs, catty 200 120

Cuttle Fish, 80 70

Dace, 100 90

Eels, Congor, 60 50

File Fish, 70 60

Fresh Fish, Large, 190 120

" Small, 80 80

Frogs, 200 160

Groupers, 250 140

Hardings, 70 60

" smoked, box \$1.00 —

Live Fish, catty 140 120

Lobsters, 80 70

Mackerel, 50 40

Mango Fish, 180 —

Mullet, 100 80

Oysters, 140 130

Parrot Fish, 180 120

Perch, 80 70

Pomfret, 160 140

Prawns, 180 180

Ray, 180 140